



# BAWSCA

Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency

## 2009 Water Efficient Landscaping Class Series

Learn how to beautify your garden and use water more efficiently in these Bay Area water-wise landscaping classes. All classes are **FREE** and offered on a first come first served basis. Call today to reserve your space.

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**Reserve your space**  
**TODAY!**

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Call 650-259-2348

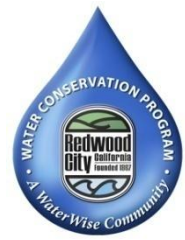
For Redwood City Classes  
Call 650-780-7436

For All Other Classes:  
Call 650-349-3000

or Email [Landscape@bawasca.org](mailto:Landscape@bawasca.org)

Class #	CLASS TITLE	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
1	Starting a Spring Organic Garden	February 26 <sup>th</sup>	7-9pm	Millbrae
2	Landscape Watering	April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7-9pm	Millbrae
3	Techniques to Make Your Landscape Water Efficient	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Fremont
4	Designing California Native Gardens for the Bay Area	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Redwood City
5	California Natives in your Garden	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	10am-12noon	Palo Alto
6	Landscaping with California Native Plants, Water Conserving Strategies and Innovative Materials	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Los Altos Hills
7	35 Ways to Garden for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Redwood City
8	Creative Landscaping with Color and Lawn Alternatives	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	10am-1pm	Hayward
9	Designing Attractive Landscapes Using Natives	April 25 <sup>th</sup>	9-11am	Menlo Park
10	Irrigation Basics for Homeowners	April 25 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Redwood City
11	Bird and Butterfly-Friendly Landscaping	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9-11am	Menlo Park
12	California Plants for Every Garden	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am-12noon	Daly City
13	Drought Tolerant Plants	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am-12noon	Redwood City
14	Native Plants, Irrigation, and Organic Soils for Low Water Use Gardens	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	7-9pm	Hillsborough
15	Alternatives to Lawns	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Mountain View
16	Starting a Summer Organic Garden	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	7-9pm	Millbrae
17	California Plants for Every Garden	May 28 <sup>th</sup>	7-9pm	Burlingame
18	Landscaping with Native Plants for a Water Wise Garden	October 15 <sup>th</sup>	7-9pm	Millbrae





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### Class Descriptions

1. Starting a Spring Organic Garden - February 26<sup>th</sup>

From planting bed preparation to starting seedlings, this lecture will cover the most important tasks of starting a spring vegetable garden and maintaining your existing ornamental landscape in a chemical-free and more sustainable manner.

2. Landscape Watering - April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Join us for a survey and introduction to innovative water-saving sprinkler and drip irrigation solutions. Learn about system automation with valves, timers, rain sensors, and the new smart self-adjusting controllers. This class will teach you how to plan your own efficient irrigation system. With the ongoing record drought, it will pay to attend this class.

3. Techniques to Make Your Landscape Water Efficient - April 4<sup>th</sup>

This class will inspire you to create functional, beautiful landscaping that is water-efficient. There will be an introduction to irrigation, design, and plant and landscape materials that are available in your area.

4. Designing California Native Gardens for the Bay Area - April 4<sup>th</sup>

Home gardeners introduction to designing a sustainable, low-maintenance, and water conserving garden. Learn how to start visualizing your native garden, how to incorporate native plants, and which native plants are right for your yard. Bring a plot plan, or scaled diagram of your project.

5. California Natives in your Garden - April 4<sup>th</sup>

This class will cover how you can save water, increase habitat diversity, reduce your maintenance time, and reduce the use of chemicals by creating a garden using beautiful California native plants. Palo Alto residents can learn how to receive up to a \$2,000 rebate by replacing thirsty lawns.

6. Landscaping with California Native Plants, Water Conserving Strategies and Innovative Materials - April 18<sup>th</sup>

Learn of the many ways to 'green' your landscape by working with the garden's natural cycles for sustainability. Create attractive gardens that contain California native plants, use water conservation strategies, and innovative materials. The class will showcase opportunities for landscape renovations and techniques that work well with existing gardens. A short field trip to the nearby Purissima Hills Water District demonstration garden is included.

7. 35 Ways to Garden for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century - April 18<sup>th</sup>

Learn about eco-gardening principles that protect your local ecology, preserve our environment, are economical to build, aesthetically beautiful, and will be almost maintenance and irrigation free in the years to come.

8. Creative Landscaping with Color and Lawn Alternatives - April 18<sup>th</sup>

This class will provide design tips on replacing your lawn with attractive, drought tolerant landscaping, and using colorful plants that thrive in your area. You will also learn how to manage your landscape's water needs during a drought.

**9. Designing Attractive Landscapes Using Natives - April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Learn how to select native plants that will thrive in your garden, taking into account the sunlight, soil, slope, and water conditions that are special to your site. Get design tips on how to take advantage of the unique beauty of native plants and minimize the impact of "flaws" of some natives, like summer dormancy and gray foliage

**10. Irrigation Basics for Homeowners - April 25<sup>th</sup>**

This class covers the layout of the irrigation system and its components. It also covers basic maintenance and installation guidelines.

**11. Bird and Butterfly-Friendly Landscaping - May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Learn how to attract beautiful and uncommon native birds and butterflies by making small changes to your garden to create the habitat they need, and the attractive garden you want. Find out which plants provide food and shelter for some of our more interesting local birds and butterflies.

**12. California Plants for Every Garden - May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup>**

Learn about beautiful California plants that you can grow successfully in different home garden situations. Soil preparation and garden maintenance will also be discussed. With this understanding, you will be able to select California plants that save water and convey a sense of place with their natural beauty.

**13. Drought Tolerant Plants - May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

This class is designed to teach homeowners the importance of using drought tolerant plant material in their garden. Homeowners will become familiar with various trees, shrubs and groundcovers that are available in their area.

**14. Native Plants, Irrigation, and Organic Soils for Low Water Use Gardens - May 13<sup>th</sup>**

Learn about beautiful, garden-worthy California native plants which can help you reduce your summer water bill. The class also describes the best lawn substitutes for the Bay Area, efficient drip irrigation systems, and proper soil management techniques to ensure your garden is healthy and happy.

**15. Alternatives to Lawns - May 16<sup>th</sup>**

Tired of watering, mowing and weeding your lawn, but don't know what to plant instead? Replacing your lawn appropriately reduces your water bill and your maintenance costs. You will come away from this inspiring talk with dozens of ideas, illustrated by pictures which say more than a thousand words. Mountain View residents can learn how to qualify for a lawn replacement rebate program.

**16. Starting a Summer Organic Garden - May 21<sup>st</sup>**

Learn the latest organic gardening tips for planting a plentiful and delicious summer vegetable garden. On-going summer maintenance for ornamental landscapes will also be discussed, including pruning, fertilizing and soil care

**17. Landscaping with Native Plants for a Water Wise Garden - October 15<sup>th</sup>**

Discover how to create a sustainable, low-maintenance, and water conserving garden using native plants that are right for your yard. Gain many design ideas and learn how you can make the best design choices for a colorful and exciting landscape.